nearly 2,000,000.

The Trans-Siberlan rallroad will be completed at the present rate of working in about two years, the cost probably considerably exceeding the original estimate of \$75,500,000.

Twenty-nine historic spots in Port land, Me., are to be marked with toblets prior to the return of the absent sons and daughters in Old Home week. They include several noted in pre-Revolutionary days, the birthplaces of Henry Wadsworth, Longfellow, Thomas B. Reed, Nathaniel Parker Willis; his sister, Mrs. James Parton ("Fanny Fern"), Alexander S. Wadsworth and Sargent S. Prentiss.

Siberia has recently furnished a new game-bird for the epicures of Europe. It is called the Siberian partridge, and is found in the mountains south of Omsk in southern Siberia, but its original home is said to be Manchuria. Its principal food consists of wild nuts, which gives an exquisite flavor to its flesh. These birds, which have begun to appear by thousands in the markets of London, are shot during the winter and forwarded to England by way of the Baltic sea,

In France, Monsieur Dufour has succeeded in making thermometer tubes of pure quartz. Not only are these tubes exceedingly transparent, but their resistance to heat and other advantages make them superior to glass for thermometers intended to measure high temperatures. In such thermom elers, melted tin takes the place of mercury, and the scale reads from about 465 degrees Fahrenhelt up over 1,000 degrees. It could be run up to 1,800 degrees, for quartz does not soften below that temperature.

The largest time ball in the United States is being erected on the roof of the Fourth street end of the bourse in Philadelphia, the task being under the supervision of Lieutenant Hughes. The ball, which is four feet in diameter and weighs 60 pounds, will be holated to the top of an iron column 190 feet above tidewater five minutes before noon each day and dropped electrically 40 feet to an air-cushion exactly at noon by the naval observatory clock in Washington. The object of the time ball is to enable all the mariners in Delaware and Schuylkiil rivers to regulate their chronometers before salling.

An explanation has been given, in the house of commons, of the reason why American capitalists were allowed to take a large slice of the new British lean. The war had greatly depleted the stock of gold in the Bank of England. Meanwhile there was a great abundance of gold in this country. The result of disposing of a part of the loan here was to draw gold to London. It is all simple enough; but the fact remains that it is only very lately that this country was rich enough to take foreign loans, Perhaps the most significant feature of the affair is that capital at interest now it are content with 3 per cent if the security be unimpeachable.

The widespread impression that people living in a primitive condition pos sess more gcute vision than civilized men enjoy, receives a little support from the investigations of Dr. Rivers during the recent British expedition to Torres Straits and New Gulnea. The visual powers of the people there were found to be superior to those of normal Europeans, although the degree of superiority was not great. The natives of Torres Straits could see better in the dark than most Europeans can Their sense of touch was also slightly superior, and in the discrimination of weight they were more accurate than a practised European. Dr. Rivers ascribes their acuteness of vision to their habits of constant observation.

The editor of an anarchistic newspaper in this country halled the murder of King Humbert with an editorial paean of joy. He frankly conceded that Humbert was kind and estimable, personally, and that he had not been guilty of oppressing his people; yet this man rejoiced in his death merely because he was a king. What sort of a man it is who preaches such doctrines-what sort of men anarchy breeds-is well brought out by the comments of a Chicago paper on this editor: "He is not a worker, but s 'dead beat.' He spends most of his time consuming beer and giving utterance to the desire that people may be killed. He is not even a brave man. When he was last wanted by the police he had to be dragged out from under the bed where he had hidden." This is a just arraignment, not merely of an anarchist, but of anarchy.

The remains of another glant dinosaur have been found by Prof. Riggs of the Field Columbian museum of Chicago, on the banks of the Gunnison river, near Grand Junction, Col. By accident, he unearthed one of the bones of a dinosaur, and subsequent excavations have brought to light nearly a perfect skeleton, which will be shipped to Chicago to be mounted. One bone s nine feet long and others are so farge that it is almost beyond the strength of one man to lift them. Half of the skeleton already has been taken from the ground.

One of the oldest inhabitants Banagher, Kings county, is Mrs. Bell, who is now close upon 100 years old. This venerable lady lives with her sonin-law, the Rev. A. B. Nicholls, who was the husband of the celebrated novelist, the late Charlotte Bronte.

It has been estimated that the recent rains which broke the drought in the west have saved \$83,000,000 in corn alone in Iowa, Kansas and Nobraska. Even the least arithmetical of readers cannot call statistics of that

Earl Longley, a 13-year-old Philadelphia boy, who wanted to be a pi-rate, started operations recently by from his parents money, onds and jewels to the value of \$3,410. He hid the money in the cellar, and t was found there by the police when they were called in.

Thomas O'Donohue, a New York chant, while summering at Stamord, Conn., recently caught a striped ans which weighed 52 pounds. sured four feet nine inches in

## The Marble Hill Press. W. J. BRYAN'S LETTER

## Kentucky's whisky product for the year just ended was nearly 22,000,000 Accepting the Democratic Nomination for the Presidency

the Democratic party, I beg to assure from the citizen. ron of my appreciation of the great oner conferred upon me by the delentes in convention assembled, and by the voters who gave instruction to the upon honestly acquired wealth; neither

colved in the present contest.

I made the following pledge: "So doeply am I impressed with the luence which he can yield for the benlegire to prove worthy of the confi- litical arena. ence of my countrymen. Human agment is fallible enough when unlased by selfish considerations, and, la order that I may not be tempted to use the patronage of the office to advance any personal ambition, I hereby announce, with all the emphasis which words can express, my fixed determination not, under any circumstances, to be a candidate for re-election, in case this campaign results in my elec-

Further reflection and observation onstrain me to renew this pledge. The platform adopted at Kansas City ommands my cordial and unqualified approval. It courageously meets the ucs now before the country, and states clearly and without ambiguity the party's position on every question onsidered. Adopted by a convention which assembled on the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Incandor, independence and patriotism which cheracterizes those who, at Philadelphia in 1776, promulgated the creed of the Republic

Having in may notification speech. scussed somewhat at length the parthe platform.

The platform very properly gives prominence to the trust question. The appalling growth of combinations in restraint of trade during the present administration, proves conclusively that the Republican party lacks either the desire or the ability to deal with the question effectively. If as may be fairly assumed from the speeches and conduct of the Republican leaders, that party does not intend to take the people's side against these organizations, then the weak and qualified condemnation of trusts to be found in the Republican platform is designed to distract attention walle industrial despotism is completing its work. A private nonopoly has always been an outlaw. No defense can be made of an Industrial system in which one, or a few men, can control for their own profit, the output or price of any article of merchandise. Under such a system the isumer suffers extortion, the produ-

cer of raw material has but one purchaser, and must sell at the arbitrary price fixed; the laborer has but one employer, and is powerless to protest against injustice, either in wages or n conditions of labor; the small stocknolder is at the mercy of the speculaor, while the traveling salesman contributes his salary to the overgrown profits of the trust. Since but a small proportion of the people can share in the advantages secured by private monopoly, it follows that the remainder of the people are not only excluded from the benefits, but are the elpless victims of every monopoly organized. It is difficult to overestimate the immediate injustice that may be done, or to calculate the ultimate effect of this injustice upon the social and political welfare of the people. Our platform, after suggesting certain specific remedies; pledges the party to an unceasing warfare against private monopoly in nation, state and city. 1 heartily approve of this promise; if elected, it shall be my earnest and constant endeavor to fulfill the promise in letter and spirit. I shall select an attorney-general who will, without fear or favor, enforce existing laws; I shall ecommend such additional legislation as may be necessary to dissolve every private monopoly which does business

tions engaged in interstate commerce.

SUBMARINE

COAL FIELDS

if contrary to my belief and hope, a

constitutional amendment is found to

Corporations in Politics. The Democratic party makes no war does it seek to embarrass corporations

Interstate Commerce. to protect individuals and communi- fidence in the intelligence, and patriotties from discrimination, and the pub- ism of the masses. lie at large from unjust and unfair transportation rates,

The Financial Plants. level of prices, and in order that there It will be from misuse and abuse, may be no uncertainty as to the method of restoring bimetallism, the specific declaration in favor of free and un-

the Boer war, it is sufficient at this the Republican party recognized the fect our entire population. While what in its platform four years ago, together time to review the remaining planks of necessity for bimetallism by pledging is generally known as government by with the substitution in its latest platthe party to an earnest effort to se- injunction is at present directed chief- form of a plank favoring an isthmian desirability of an international agree- in defending trial by jury, says: cloding section declaring that the body of men, and those selected by it necessary that our government shall opposing the sovereignty of other namensure was not intended to stand in the prince such as enjoy the highest be able to close the canal against any

> in restoring silver. has so often and so emphatically condemned: The Democratic party, on the contrary, remains the steadfast advocate of the gold and silver coinage of the constitution, and is not willing that other nations shall determine for us the time and manner of restoring duress, for the skilled laborer loses his representation in Congress. silver to its ancient place as a standard money. The ratio of 16 to 1 is not only discharge him, but prevent his nct only the ratio now existing between all the gold and silver dollars in | The blacklist enables employers to secirculation in this country, a ratio cure, by mutual agreement, that conwhich even the Republican adminis- trol over the wage earners which a tration has not attempted to change, private monopoly exercises without but it is the only ratio advocated by contract. those who are seeking to re-open the mints. Whether the senate, now hostile to bimetallism, can be change. during this campaign or the campaign of 1902 can only be determined after the votes are counted, but neither the present nor the future political com-

plexion of congress has prevented or should prevent an announcement of the party's position upon this subject in unequivocal terms. The currency bill, which received the sanction of the Executive and the Reoutside of the state of its origin; and, publican members of the House and Senate, justifies the warning given by the Democratic party in 1896. It was e necessary, I shall recommend such then predicted that the Republican the retention of the greenbacks, issued

an amendment as will, without impair- party would attempt to retire the ing any of the existing rights of the greenbacks although the party and its states, empower Congress to protect leaders studiously concealed their inthe people of all the states from injury | tentions. That purpose is now plain at the hands of individuals or corpora- and the people must choose between The platform accurately describes and controlled in volume by the govthe Dingley tariff law, when it con- ernment, and a national bank note curdemns it as a "trust breeding measure, rency issued by banks and controlled skillfully devised to give to the few in their own interests. If the nafavors which they do not deserve, and thonal bank notes are to be secured by department of labor, with a member to place upon the many burdens which bonds, the currency system now supthey should not bear." Under its op- ported by the Republican party ineration trusts can plunder the people volves a permanent and increasing of the United States, while they suc- debt, and, so long as this system cessfully compete in foreign marke's stands, the financial classes will be with manufacturers of other countries. tempted to throw their powerful influ- made to this recognition of his serv-Even those who justify the general ence upon the side of any measure ices. Agriculture is aircady representpolicy of protection will find it diffi- which will contribute to the size and ed in the president's official household;

Depasits Beneath

Point, Me.

Ocean Off Small

people will deliberately turn from the debt-paying policy of the past, to the dangerous doctrine of perpetual bonds.

The demand for a constitutional I am sensible of the responsibilities ongaged in legitimate business, but it amendment providing for the election bich rest upon the chief magistrate does protest against corporations en- of Senators by direct vote of the peoof so great a nation, and realize the tering politics, and attempting to as- ple, appears for the first time in a ar-reaching effect of the questions in- sume control of the instrumentalities Democratic National platform, but a of government. A corporation is not resolution proposing such an amend-In my letter of acceptance of 1896, organized for political purposes, and ment, has three times passed the should be compelled to confine Realf House of Representatives, and that, to the business described in its char- too, practically without opposition, magnified of the power vested by the ter. Honest corporations, engaged in Whatever may have been the reasons. Constitution in the chief executive of an honest business, will find it to which secured the adoption of the presthe nation and with the enormous in- their advantage to aid in the enact- ent plan, a century ago, new conditions ment of such legislation as will pro- have made it imperative that the peoclit or injury of the people, that I test them from the undeserved odium ple be permitted to speak directly in and declares its purpose to deal genwish to enter the office, if elected, free | which will be brought upon them by | the selection of their representatives in | erously with them and their dependcom any personal desire, except the those corporations which enter the porepresentative of the State because he necessary in a government which de- an unwilling or forcible sovereignty The Republican party has persist- members of the State legislature. If est, as well as gratitude, compels the ently refused to comply with the ur- a voter is competent to vote for a mem- government to make bountiful progent request of the Interstate Com- ber of Congress, for State officers and vision for those who, in the hour o' forth by the Republican candidate for merce commission, for such an en- for President, he is competent to danger, and at great sacrifice of busilargement of the scope of the inter- choose his representative in the Sen- ness, health and life, tender their protect a nation from outside interstate commerce law as will enable the ate. A system which makes the Sen- services to their country. commission to realize the hopes after responsible for his election to the The pension laws should be conaroused by its creation. The Demo- people, as a whole, and amenable to strued according to the generous spirit Monroe doctrine, for while this argucratic party is pledged to legislation them if he misrepresents them, must which prompted their passage. The ment is at this time directed against

Direct Legislation.

The platform reiterates the demand | ready applied to the more important | obtainable, should not have as much contained in the Chicago platform for questions in nation, state and city. It | weight as the certificate of the medical an American financial system made rests upon the sound theory that the officer who examined the volunteer by the American people for them- people can be trusted, and that the with a view of ascertaining his fitness dependence, it breathes the spirit of selves. The purpose of such a system more responsive the government is to for army service. is to restore and maintain a bimetallic the will of the people, the more free

Labor Question. limited coinage at the existing ratio form are devoted to questions in which | the United States. The failure of the amount issue, imperialism, and added of 16 to 1, independent of the action the laboring classes have an immediate Republican party to make any progsome observations on militarism and of other nations, is repeated. In 1895 interest, but which more remotely ef- ress in carrying out a pledge contained cure an international agreement for ly against the employes of corpora- canal for a specific declaration in fathe free coinage of silver, and the tions, when there is a disagreement be- vor of the Nicaraguan canal, would inpresident, immediately after his in- tween them and their employer, it in- dicate that the Republican leaders auguration, by authority of congress, volves a principle which concerns either do not appreciate the importance appointed a commission composed of every one. The purpose of the in- of this great waterway to the maridistinguished citizens to visit Europe junction in such cases is to substitute time strength and commercial interand solicit foreign aid. Secretary Hay, trial by judge for trial by jury, and is ests of the country, or that they give in a letter written to Lord Aldenham a covert blow at the jury system. The too much consideration to the interestin November, 1898, and afterwards pub- abolition of government by injunction | ed opposition of transcontinental line. lished in England, declared that at is as necessary for the protection of The Hays-Pauncefote treaty, now bethat time the president and a majority the reputation of the court, as it is for fore the senate, would, if ratified, of his cabinet will believed in the great the security of the citizen. Blackstone greatly lessen the value of the canal,

ment for the restoration of the double "The impartial administration of a positive menace in time of war. The standard, but that it did not reem justice, which secures both our persons, paramount interests of the United opportune to re-open the negotiations and our properties is the great end of States in the western hemisphere, tothen. The financial law enacated civil society, but if that be entrusted gether with the obligations to defend the way of the restoration of bimetai- offices of the state their decisions in hostile power, spite of their natural integrity, will co-operation with other nations. The have frequently an involuntary bias platform submitted to the last Repub- toward those of their own rank, and lican convention with the indorsement | dignity. It is not to be expected from of the administration again suggested human nature that the few should be the possibility of securing foreign aid always attentive to the interests and

good of the many." Now the Republican party, for the If the criminal laws are not sufficient first time, openly abandons its ad- for the protection of property, they vocacy of the double standard, and in- can be made more severe, but a citidorses the monetary system which it | zen charged with crime must have his case tried before a jury of his peers.

> The Blacklist. The blacklist as now employed in some places enables the employer to place the employe under independence when the employers can securing any similar employment.

Arbitration. and their employes. No one who has tween great corporations and their able rights of man. numerous employes can doubt the wisdom of establishing an impartial court for the just and equitable set-

selves, as by the employes. The establishment of arbitration will insure capital, and render obsolete the growsettle labor troubles.

Department of Labor. I cannot too strongly emphasize the importance of the platform recommendation of the establishment of a of the cabinet at its head. When we remember how important a position the laborer fills in our economic, so-

the army and navy have their repre- | were a hundred years ago. Our comsentatives there; the state department, | merce is rapidly increasing, and we are with its consular service, and the brought into constant communication treasury department, with its close with all parts of the world. Even if we connection with fiscal affairs, keep the desired to do so, we could not afford to executive in touch with the business alienate many nations by cultivating and commercial interests. A cablact unnecessary intimacy with a few. Our officer truly representative of the wage strength and standing are such that it earning class would be of invaluable is less necessary than ever before to aid, not only to the tollers, but to the

Chinese Exclusion.

Gentlement - In accepting the noming cult to defend a tariff which enables permanency of a national debt. It is a larger than a scential to the country, and its ing the peculiar advantage, which our well as its extension to other similar races, are imperatively necessary. The Asiatic is so essentially different from the American that he cannot be assimilated with our population, and is, therefore, not desirable as a permanent is essential to the welfare of the citizen. His presence as a temporary United States. The continents of laborer, preserving his national identity, and maintaining a foreign scale of ted to the development of free governwages and living, must ever prove an ment. One republic after another has injustice to American producers, as been established, until to-day monwell as a perpetual source of irrita- archial idea has barely a foothold in

Pensions. soldiers and sailors of all our wars, receives his commission from the peo- pends upon a citizen soldiery, instead over the people living on this side of ple themselves, rather than from the of a large standing army. Self-inter- the Atlantic.

which will empower the commission commend itself to those who have con- platform very properly relievates the the proposition to give to the Filipinos position taken in 1896, that the fact of both independence and protection, it enlistment shall be deemed conclusive is equally applicable to the Republics evidence that the soldier was sound of Central and South America. If this when the government accepted him. government cannot lend its strength to The platform indorses the princi- A certificate given now to the health of another Republic without making subple of direct legislation. This is al- a person 40 years ago, even if easily

> The Democratic party is in favor of the immediate construction, ownership Several planks of the labor plat- and control of the Nicaragua canal by if it would not indeed convert it into

Arizons, New Mexico and Oklahoma-Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma have long been ready to assume the responsibilities and enjoy the privileges of statehood, and it will be a pleasure, as well as a duty, to carry out the platform pledge concerning ject, however, is covered by the re-

Alaska and Porto R'co.

in the demand for home rule, and a territorial form of government in Alaska and Porto Rico. Both are entitled to local self-government and

the Democratic and Republican plattisan politics. It is proper, however,

in colonies within the tropics.

Foreign Alliances

The reasons given by Washington lefferson, and the other statesmen of cial and political fabric, it is hard to the early days in support of the docconceive of a valid objection being crine that we should maintain friendly relations with all nations, but enter into entangling alliances with none are even stronger to-day than they

that so much of it came ashore led pended about \$25,000 it was then deem- | be "something in that," the company Bath and Portland capitalists to take ed best to abandon the project.

an interest in the matter, and a company was formed to search for it. Some would be better to drill into the ledge been coming ashore at Small Point at Cape Small Point. A driff was ac- more than 100 years, that the first carcordingly sent down several hundred go brought to that section of the world feet, and it passed through, so it is was in 1839, and that the coal is of a traditions are true, there lies some- large quantities of the coal have been said, a thin stratum of coal. A dia- different grade from that mined anywhere off Small Point a large deposit washed up on the beach after every mond drill was then sent down more where else, and that when it comes Chill. than 1,000 feet, with no encouraging ashore it shows that it has been rethan any soft coal discovered. All of gathered and used as fuel. The fact results, and as the company had ex-, cently broken off. Believing there may nothing in yourself.—Ausonius.

and murderous sword. Another was a | of superior workmanship and size at , terial, with red hair, and with sandals

of the company believe it good policy schooner which was wrecked close by, early in September with an electric to hire a diver, while others believe it The answer to that is that coal has lighting device and hydraulic pumps for removing sand. Should coal be found in paying quantities, a tunnel will probably be cut from the shore, as in the case of mines which lie three miles off the coast of

Forgive many things in others;

lean for ald upon the friendliness of a

fore'gn power. We cannot connect ourselves with European nations, and share in their continuance and strict enforcement, as location, our character and our institutions give us in the world's affairs.

Monroe Doctrine

The doctrine enunciated by Monroe, and approved by succeeding presidents North and South America are dedicathe new world.

While it is not the policy of this country to interfere where amicable The party expresses its pride in the relations exist between European countries and their dependencies in America, our people would look with forget me, and be happy with some I saying? Oh, that it will not matter, disfavor upon any attempt on the part The position taken by the Republi-

> the Presidency, viz: That we cannot ference without exercising sovereignty over its people, is an assault upon the jects of its people, then we must

either withdraw our protection from the Republics to the south of us or absorb them. Under the same plea, that the guardian nation must exert an authority equal to its responsibility, European nations have for centuries exploited their wards, and it is a significant fact that the Republican party should accept the European idea of a protectorate, at the same time that it There is no excuse for this abandonment of the American idea. We have three-quarters of a century. The exing, but the protection has been beyond | nothing. value to our sister Republics. If a Filipino Republic is erected upon the ruins of Spanish tyranny, its protection to have the islands, neither would any European nation be willing to propossession of the islands. If we assert sovereignty over the Filipinos we will have to defend that sovereignty by force, and the Filipines will be our enemies; if we protect them from outside interference, they will defend themselves and will be our friends. If less than a year ago contains a con-entirely to the magistracy, a select the republics to the south of us, makes they show as much determination in

Income Tax.

and I take this occasion to reassert

the pocketbook as well. Unless money

is more precious than blood, we can-

not afford to give greater protection to

the incomes of the rich than to the

Imperialism.

The subjects, however, treated in

this letter, important as each may

seem in itself, do not press so impera-

tively for solution as the question

which the platform declares to be the

paramount issue in this campaign.

Whether we shall adhere to, or aban-

don those ideas of government which

its peculiar charm and value, is a ques-

tion the settlement of which cannot

be delayed. No other question can ap-

proach it in importance; no other

question demands such immediate con-

sideration. It is easier to lose a repu-

tation than to establish one, and this

of temptation, it should repudiate the

self-evident truths proclaimed by our

heroic ancestors and sacredly treasured

during a career unparalleled in the

that the people are the only source of

power is made secure from further at-

tack we can safely proceed to the set-

tlement of the numerous questions

which involve the domestic and eco-

Very truly yours

W. J. BRYAN.

nomic welfare of our citizens.

lives of the poor.

our sovereignty, they will not require much assistance from us. By Inadvertence the Income Tax plank agreed upon by the Resolutions committee, was omitted from the platform as read and adopted. The sub-

my belief in the principle which under-There will be a popular acquiescence have authority to levy and collect an income tax whenever necessary, and an amendment to the federal constitution specifically conferring such authority ought to be supported by even those who may think the tax unnecessary at this time. In the hour of danger the government can draft the citizen; it ought to be able to draft

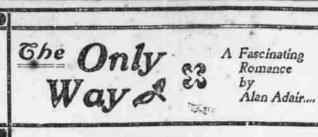
The recognition contained in both forms of the right of the Cubans to Independence, removes the general principle involved from the domain of parto consider whether the accomplishment of this purpose can be safely en The platform renews the demand trusted to the Republican party after for arbitration between corporations it has yielded to the allurements of the Colonial idea, and abandoned its carobserved the friction which arises be- Her faith in the natural and inalien-

Reclamation of Arid Lands. The time is ripe for a systematic and tlement of disputes. The demand for extended effort to reclaim the arid have distinguished this nation from arbitration ought to be supported as lands and fit them for actual settlers. other nations and given to its history heartily by the public, which suffers The last agricultural report estimates inconvenience because of strikes and that homes can thus be provided for lockouts, and by the employers them- many millions of people. The impounding and use of the waters which are wasted in the spring would people friendly relations between labor and the western states with thrifty, intelligent, and industrious citizens, and ing practice of calling in the army to these would furnish a valuable market nation would find it a long and laborious task to regain its proud position for all the products of the factories. A among the nations, if, under the stress small percentage of the money spent in a war of conquest would provide occupation and habitation for more people than would ever seek a residence annals of time. When the doctrine

> has made arrangements with one of Some persons assert that the coal the best known divers in this section which comes ashore is from some of the United States. He will come here

was at once informed of the discovery,

estimated the age of the body at about is to be feared, suffer the fate of other 1,500 years. A few years ago seve: al departments of trade and undergo the coins were also found near the same place, which were believed by excerts to belong to the first centuries after



CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.) wrote to her:

My Own Joyce: I am breaking my eif-imposed resolution to tell you that | would gladly have given my life if this I am leaving England for Austra'in on had not happened!" the Condor, which sails next week. I must do something. Life is too hard. Joyce, I do not wish to see you again. If I saw you again I should never leave you; but I must hear from you to | me die like this in your arms, my head know if you are well, dearest. I ought upon your shoulder-so. You think to say to you that you should try and I'm pretty still, don't you What was other man, but I cannot. It is tre- except for the boy. But I know you mendous selfishness on my part; but it and she will be good to him. I should another man. But it is not for that again. You know Hutchinson swore

eaving. Your own can leaders, and more recently set sat quite still for a little time. She to happy, Alan, dear. The happlest felt as If her heart must break when moment of my life was when I felt she thought of Alan. She knew what | that I might die for you." his unrest meant; she knew that if it were possible that he could fay his head against her shoulder, and feel her | don't!" hand upon his brow, all his troubles Never again could they go through the only way." agony of another parting, never again would they look into each other's eyes ments after Alan could see there was and see what it was costing them to no hope. The bullet had pierced her walk the path of duty-the only way side, and she was bleeding internally. for them. But she-she must look She fell into a state of semi-consciousupon his face again. She would go ness; but towards midnight she down to Southampton, and then she opened her eyes suddenly, would try and get a glimpse of his dear face, so that she could see for herself how he looked.

She told no one of her project. It was not a wise thing to do, but it was a thing she must do.

Veronica was resting in her room; the boy was with her. Now she had adopts a European colonial policy.

There is no excuse for this abandon-house and all comforts; but she looked maintained the Monroe doctrine for when she eked out a miserable existpense to us has been practically noth- something to live for, now she had knew that something serious had oc-

She heard a tap at the door that made her tremble. Hutchinson had haired; but still Alan. And when he been a frequent visitor lately-since told her the simple, touching story of tion by us will be neither difficult nor she had been prosperous. His visits poor Verculca's celf-sacrifice and death expensive. No European nation would always left her poorer and sadder. She they wept together. And Joyce rebe willing for any other European na- did not mind the money, having a solved then and there to be a good and childish ignorance on the subject; but loving mother to Alan and Veronica's she did mind the way he spoke of boy, which vow she nobly kept. Invoke a war with us in order to obtain Alan. She prepared herself for battle deed, there was nothing stepmotherly when she heard his knock. He came about Joyce, and she could say truly in, looking more bloated and excited that she had had nothing but pity for than ever. Lately he had drank very poor Veronica, even whilst she was heavily. Today he was cober enough keeping Alan and herself apart, but he looked more angry than he had

"So that fellow thinks he is going he said, "there was no need to proto clude ric!" he said, as he came into long their suffering." Now, indeed, the room; "but he makes a mistake!" | their=life is the ideal life of married Veronica turned pale. She knew he people, whose strong love for each wes speaking of Alan, and that he was other is not stronger than their love

know that that precious husband of yours means to sail in the Condor on speils him more than her own chil-Friday? I dare say he wants to desert you, and to go off with that other woman!' affirmation of the Chicago platform,

nica, quickly. "However much he and is a dear boy, and he is yours, so you suffer, they will do nothing | see I have three of the most excellent lies the income tax. Congress should wrong." "I dare say he is a saint!" secored

Hutchinson. "Well, he will have a chance of going to heaven quickly, for but he was never found. Whether he I've sworn to do for him, and this is knew that the shot meant for Alan my last chance!" Veronica listened. Hutchinson had could tell. He disappeared, and Joyce

spoken like this before, and it had and Alan were glad that it should be come to nothing; still, it was possible Eo. They had suffered so much that that he might be desperate now. He ooked it, and if he meant mischlef all, they did not want raveage. It was to Alan she must warn him. Not a poor Veronica who had paid the debt, hair of Alan's dear head should fall and she had done it gladly, saying that by this man's hand. Still, she knew it was "The Only Way." that she must not let Hutchinson suspect that she was on the alert "So he sails on Friday?" she said

quietly. "From Southampton, is it not? He wrote to wish me good-by." "It will be a longer good-by than he knows of," said the man, "Lend me two pounds, Veronica."

Veronica hesitated. He might be asking for money in order to kill her husband; but she had often lent him money before, so she rose slowly and went to the writing table and took it "I suppose he has made a settlement

upon you?" he asked, with cunning taken the keenest interest in the big the trap, answered, "Yes."

Veronica sprang up from her chair the instant the hall door clanged after him. She knew he meant mischief to Alan. She kissed her boy many, many time is to be maintained. The comtimes before giving him in charge of his nurse. She was always loth to let him out of her sight; but today she almost felt as if she would never look which shooting was not permissible. upon him again. At the same time she felt strangely happy, for it seemed as if at last she were able to do something for Alan. Alan had taken his seat in the train

without thinking much of leaving England. It had ceased to be home to him; he thought he might be happier when he was removed from the temptation of seeing Joyce, and when he might now and again hear from her. And as he sat in the corner of his carriage he thought he saw a familiar figure pass. It was Hutchinson's cular to the faithful, asking, "Who has clouch, but he did not think much about it. He pulled his cap over his throne), "Robert or George?" "Robert" eyes, and pretended to go to sleep; is the son of Princess Mary Theresa of out although he kept his eyes shut no sleep came to him. Southampton, it Bavaria, who is styled by the legitimseemed to him, was soon reached. He ists Mary IV. (of Scotland) and III. got out of the train and began collect- (of England), whose descent from the ing his belongings. He was turning mais line of the Stuarts is undeniable, o go when suddenly he heard the but whose ancestral claims to the sound of a report and then a woman's throne were set aside by the act of ery. In an instant all was commotion, succession that excluded Catholica A woman had fallen close beside him from the crown. "George" is the duke -a dark-haired, slight woman. He of York, so that it is evident that "the ished forward to help her up, quite legitimist Jacobite league" admits neonscious then that the shot that Queen Victoria and the prince of had been fired was meant for him, and | Wales, that the woman had intercepted it. He had a dim idea, too, that he saw Hutchinson slipping away somewhere; but he, as well as every one else, was ccupied by the fallen woman.

His were the arms that helped her p, and his were the eyes that recognized Veronica. "My God!" he cried. And when they said "Do you know her?" he answered "Yes, and the sho! has killed her was meant for me!"

He carried her to a room near and Not the strictest purist on the earth | when he laid her down she opened her could cavil at his writing to her. As eyes and smiled, "I am so happy," she he felt-that is, from his heart-so he said, softly. "Alan, I never thought to feel your arms round me again." "Veronies," he said, remorrefully, "I

"I know it," she said, "but think of annot live this life any longer. Do me for one instant, Alan. You see, I you know I come out at night just to love you, darling. I am dying, so that look at the house that contains you? It does not matter, and my life made There is no joy for anything, and I you unhappy. By dying for you I am afraid of breaking down under the make you and her happy. It is the strain. I must work, sweetheart; I only way, Alan—the only way." "But, Veronica-" he urged. But

the would not let him speak. "I don't think I have long, dear, Let would kill me if you were to look at | have liked to have seen him just ones am writing, but to tell you I am he would be revenged on you, and go ALAN. I followed him; and when he fired at When Joyce received this letter she you I threw myself between. I was

> "Veronica," he said, touched to the heart "I don't deserve it-indeed I

"You see," she went on, "I made would vanish. But this might not be, you so unhappy by living--it is the And when the doctor came a few mo-

"Kiss me, Alan," she said, "and love

my boy." And whilst his lips touched here her spirit passed away.

Joyce, waiting at the docks for a glimpse of the man she loved, saw the great vessel glide out to sea without him. Something must have happened to delay him, she thought! Full of fear and anxiety, she returned home, wonmore haggard than in the old days, the next day she had a telegram with ence by teaching. Then there was I am coming at once." And then she these words: "Veronica died last night,

curred. Alan came to her, chastened, grey-

Alan lost no time in marrying Joyca again. "They had suffered so much duty, and who did not scruple to What do you mean?" she asked sacrifice everything they loved best for what they knew to be right, And as for Veronica's boy, he is like Joyce's own, Indeed, if anything, she

"His mother saved your life, dear, she said once, in after days, when "Alan would not do that," said Vero- Alan expostulated with her, "and he

reasons for spoiling him." Hutchinson was never seen again. There was a hue-and-cry after him, had been received by Veronica no one they wanted a little peace. Most of

(The End.)

African Big Game. The big game of Africa is safe now from extermination so far as good will to keep them safe can accomplish. The international committee. which for some weeks past has been discussing the question of preservation, has concluded its labors, and the representatives of the nations concerned in Africa have come to a perfectly amicable agreement. Sir Climent Hill of the foreign office, who has eer. And poor Veronica, falling into game and got the committee together, is delighted with the result, and the agreement arrived at is on the linea "Then it's all right," he said, and he suggested. The big, the beautiful and the useful wild animals of Africa are to be protected now by a 'close" season. The only difficult work that remains is how the "close" mittee felt that if they had to deat only with sportsmen it would be sufficient to proclaim the period during But the wanton shooter is the trouble in Africa, just as the poacher is here, and, of course, it is impossible to appoint a staff of gamekeepers for an entire continent,-London Leader.

Robert or George. The legitimist Jacobite league of Great Britain and Ireland, through Registrar Rodwaye of the North American Cycle of the Order of the White Rose, Roxbury, Mass., has issued a cirthe best right" (as heir to the British Modena, now the Princess Louise of

A Greek dekadrachm, or medallion of Syracuse, dating from 405, B. C., sold for \$665 at a sale of rare antique coins in London the other day. At American eagle, minted in the first year of gold coinage in America, was knocked down for \$27. Rare Italian, French, and German coins brought high prices.

## Chinese Gods From Birmingham.

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